

as shown in FIG. 2. Accordingly, it is possible to detect with certainty the distance from the subject by the automatic focusing by means of the ranging unit 11 rather than the contrast AF. As a result, photographs can easily be taken.

On page 13, starting at line 13 and ending at line 20, delete the paragraph and replace to read as follows:

The lens barrel unit 2 has therein a photographing lens 3 which can be focusing-driven in the same way as the electronic camera 10 of the first embodiment. A CCD 8, which is an image sensing device, and a controller are arranged behind the photographing lens 3 and inside the camera body 21. Data on a subject image, which are photoelectrically converted to electric signals (image signals) in the CCD 8, are taken in the controller having therein a contrast detector.

On page 15, starting at line 1 and ending at line 11, delete the paragraph and replace to read as follows:

An electronic flash lid 49, which can cover the upper side of the projecting portion 41c and can be rotatably opened and closed, is fitted to the projecting portion 41c. A ranging unit 42 and a ranging window (window for the ranging unit) 45 are arranged over